

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA**

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UNUTILISED RAILWAY LAND
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether substantial Railway land is lying vacant and unutilised under various railway zones in Maharashtra and other States;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, zone-wise, during the last three years and the current year;
- (c) whether the Railways have any proposal to allot the unutilised land on lease to the people belonging to the scheduled castes and scheduled tribes; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken/proposed to be taken by the Railways in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (DR. R.VELU)

(a) & (b): Railways have 29679 hectare of land lying vacant upto September, 2008. However, the vacant railway land is required by Railways for its future development works. Zone-wise details for the last three years are as under:

Railway Vacant Railway land (in hectare)

2006-07 2007-08 2008-09
(upto September, 2008)

Central 79 79 79

Eastern 1547 1525 1526

Northern 3337 3337 3337

North East Nil Nil Nil

North East Frontier 3457 4741 4681

Southern Nil Nil Nil

South Central 3921 4248 4248

South Eastern 2331 1789 1591

Western 7389 7388 7388

East Central 4019 4013 4015

East Coast 1938 1939 1932

North Central Nil Nil Nil

North Western 398 398 397

South East Central 486 486 485

South Western Nil Nil Nil

West Central Nil Nil Nil

(c): No, Sir.

(d): Does not arise.